

ABSTRACT OF The Plans and Arrangements, *Adopted and acted upon, by His Majesty's Government,* FOR DRIVING THE LIVE STOCK

OF SUCH PARTS OF THE COUNTRY AS MAY BE EXPOSED TO THE INROADS OF THE ENEMY;

AS ALSO

For Saving other Descriptions of Property as much as possible,

AND FURTHER

For furnishing Waggon, Carts, and Horses, for His Majesty's Service, and contributing to the Supply of His Majesty's Forces, with Flour, Wheat, Oats, Hay, Straw, and Fuel, in case of an Invasion,

IN CONFORMITY TO THE ACT OF THE 38th YEAR OF HIS MAJESTY'S REIGN, CAP. XXVII.
FOR THE DEFENCE OF THE COUNTRY.

Conditions to be performed by the Inhabitants of every Town and Parish having Cattle, Waggon, and Carts.

I.—THAT the Nobility, Gentry, and Yeomanry of every Parish in the County should forthwith assemble at a Parish Meeting, to consider of the Subscription Paper sent to the Constables, intituled, "*Form of a Subscription Paper, to accompany the Plan for driving the Country, &c.*" and agree among themselves upon proper Places of Rendezvous, at which their Cattle, Waggon, and Carts might be collected, in case of an Order to drive the Country.

II.—THAT proper March Routes should be fixed upon for driving them to certain Places of Security, in the Interior of the County, taking Care to chuse bye Roads for that Purpose.

III.—THAT such Places as afford good Water and Plenty of Pasture be preferred, and pointed out by the Civil Magistrates of the Counties through which such Stock shall be driven.

IV.—THAT the Cattle be marked with the Initials of the Name of the Proprietor, and also that some distinctive Mark be used common to the whole Parish.

V.—THAT a sufficient Number of Persons be appointed to drive off the Cattle, under the Direction of proper Leaders, who should have Authority and Means given them by the Proprietors, to provide the necessary Subsistence for the Cattle and Persons attending them upon the Road, and at the Places of Security to be fixed upon, and to determine the Places of Halting and Refreshment, during their March, and other Arrangements after their Arrival.

VI.—THAT a sufficient Number of trusty and discreet Persons be nominated and appointed [see Article II. of the said Paper] to remain in the Parish, as long as the same shall not be in the actual Possession of the Enemy, or entirely cut off from the Army, to point out the Places where Supplies are deposited, and to take Receipts from the Troops for Articles supplied them, to entitle the Owner thereof to Re-payment.

VII.—THAT those Persons should assist in destroying such of the bulky Articles of Property as cannot be removed, to prevent their falling into the Hands of the Enemy, whenever Orders shall be given to that Effect by Authority of the General commanding, or the Lord Lieutenant of the County; and that in such Case they should also assist in rendering all Mills and Ovens useless to the Enemy.

VIII.—THAT such of the Nobility, Gentry, and Yeomanry of the County as are inclined thereto, and may approve thereof, sign the Paper intituled, "*Form of a Paper to be subscribed by the Nobility Gentry, and Yeomanry, &c. for providing Waggon, &c.*" and to specify the Number of Waggon, Carts, Horses, Drivers, and Conductors, which they will furnish respectively.

IX.—THAT the WAGGON CONDUCTORS named by the Subscribers will be appointed by the Civil Authority, to any Number of Waggon, &c. not exceeding Nineteen.

X.—THE Duty of a Waggon Conductor consists in superintending the Drivers, that there may be Regularity and Dispatch upon the Road, that the Horses may be taken Care of, and that the Supplies and Stores loaded on the said Waggon, &c. may not be damaged or embezzled. They ought to sign Way Bills for what they receive, and to be responsible for the Delivery thereof.

XI.—THAT such Subscribers or Owners, and also the Conductors, be paid by the Commissary General, for the Hire of each Waggon and Cart, and at such Rates per Day as shall be settled by the Lieutenant and Magistracy to be fair and reasonable.

XII.—THAT such Waggon and Carts carry the undermentioned Quantities, viz.

	Cwt.	Cwt.
Each Waggon with Four Horses or more	50 of heavy Articles,	20 of bulky Articles
Ditto with Three ditto	40 ditto	20 ditto
Carts with Three ditto	30 ditto	15 ditto
Ditto with Two ditto	20 ditto	15 ditto

XIII.—THAT One or more proper and sufficient Persons, be appointed by the Civil Authority of the County, to do the Duties of Agents, and to be styled Inspectors of Waggon and Supplies over the several Conductors, in One or more Parishes, or an entire Subdivision of the County, as Circumstances may

the Use of the Army, to the Officers or Persons duly authorized to receive the same, and to grant such Receipts, on the Part of the Commissary General.—On the Production of these Certificates and general Receipts, with such general Account and other Vouchers as are hereafter mentioned, the Agent will be entitled to Payment from the Commissary General.

6. If the Supplies which may be requested cannot be furnished by the Subscribers, to give immediate Notice thereof, by the most expeditious Conveyance, to the Officer requesting the same.

7. To state and sign General Accounts from Time to Time of the Number of Waggon, Carts, and Conductors, furnished, and the Time of their Service, as also of the Quantities and Description of Supplies furnished by each Parish, the Vouchers of which will consist in the original Notices given, the Certificates and General Receipts mentioned in Article 5, and the Certificates of the Deputy Lieutenants or Magistrates.

8. To receive the Balance of the General Accounts, to give Receipts for the same on Behalf of the Subscribers, and to distribute the Proportion due to each Individual, on his or her returning the Acknowledgment mentioned in Article 4; Deduction being first made therefrom of the Amount of such Bread and Forage as may have been drawn, as also the Charges for Sacks.

XIV.—THAT every Inspector so to be appointed be paid by the Commissary General for his Trouble and Expences, at the following Rates, viz.—

	s.	d.
For every empty Waggon, procured in consequence of Notice given	1	0
Cart, ditto	-	9
Sack of Flour, of 28lb. Net	-	2
Sack of Oats, of 4 Bushels	-	1
Ton of Hay, Straw, Fuel, &c.	-	8

But no Charge to be made for procuring the Waggon and Carts respectively, unless they go empty.

XV.—THAT the Owners of Waggon and Carts are to provide for the constant Repair of their Waggon, and the Shoeing and Maintenance of Horses, and also for the Maintenance of Drivers and Conductors; with Liberty to draw from the King's Magazine 1½lb. of Bread for each Driver and Conductor, and one Ration of Forage, consisting of 10lb. of Oats and 14lb. of Hay for each Horse per Day, on paying the Contract or other Purchase Price for the same.

XVI.—THAT the Sacks which may be delivered by or to the Subscribers should be returned either Way, or in Default thereof, paid for by the Party not returning the same, at the Market Price.

XVII.—THAT the Waggon and Carts shall be discharged from Time to Time at reasonable Periods, and relieved by others as often as the Nature of the Service may permit, to the End that the Burden (if such in any Case it should be considered) may be divided as equally as possible.

XVIII.—THE Waggon and Carts belonging to the Sea Coast, and particularly to such as may be threatened with the Approach of an Enemy, shall not be called upon under this Engagement, except in Cases of absolute Necessity, but they shall be left at the Disposal of the Owners for the Removal of their Families and Effects, giving them afterwards the Preference of Employment in the Public Service.

XIX.—THAT the Nobility, Gentry, and Yeomanry of the several and respective Parishes, Tythings, and Places within the County of be requested to take into Consideration the said Plans and Arrangements, and to fix on proper Persons to execute the respective Duties herein mentioned; and that from Time to Time, as early as may be, and as often as Twenty or more Waggon and Carts shall be subscribed for, the said Lifts be delivered to the Petty Constables or Tythingmen of each Parish, Tything, or Place, to be by him immediately returned to the Clerk of the Subdivision in which such Parish, Tything, or Place shall belong, to be by him forwarded to the Clerk of the General Meetings for the Use of the General Meetings.

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1. To receive and communicate to the Subscribers the Notices for the marching of Carriages and furnishing Supplies.
2. To see that every Waggon and Cart called out be provided with a Certificate, stating the Name and Residence of the Owner, the Name of the Driver, and the Number of Horses belonging thereto, as also the Day of marching; and that every Detachment of Ten Waggon or Carts, and upwards, be accompanied by a Conductor, properly instructed, and also furnished with such List of the Names and Residences of the Owners, the Names of the Drivers, and the Number of Horses belonging to each.
3. To see that the Conductors or Drivers be furnished with proper and distinct Way-Bills, shewing the Quantities and Description of Supplies loaded on each Waggon or Cart.
4. To keep an Account of the Quantities and Description of Supplies furnished by each Subscriber, and to give him an Acknowledgment for the same, by which the Agent will become responsible to the Subscriber for the Payment thereof as soon as he shall have received the Balance of the general Account hereafter mentioned.
5. To obtain, by Means of the Conductors or Drivers, the necessary Certificates of the Discharge of every Waggon and Cart, as also general Receipts for the Supplies forwarded to the Army on Behalf of the Subscribers, as no Payments can be made without the Production of such Certificates and general Receipts, the former shewing the Time of Service of the Waggon, Carts, and Conductors, and the latter shewing the Quantities and Description of Supplies actually delivered for

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Form of the Subscription Paper referred to in Article VIII.

" WE, the undersigned Nobility, Gentry, and Yeomanry of the Parish, Tything, or Place of _____ in the County of _____ having taken into our Consideration a Plan recommended to our Attention by _____ [any Deputy Lieutenant, Magistrate, or principal Inhabitant] of the County aforesaid, for an Association to supply such Number of Waggon, Carts, Horses, Drivers, and Conductors, in Aid of the Provisions made by the Mutiny Act, as may be necessary for carrying on His Majesty's Service, as also to contribute to the Supply of His Majesty's Forces with Flour, Wheat, Oats, Hay, Straw, and Fuel, in case of Invasion, do hereby declare our Concurrence in the same; and we do faithfully promise and engage to furnish the Number of Waggon and Carts, provided with able Horses and Drivers, expressed opposite to our respective Names; and also such Quantities of Flour, Wheat, Oats, Hay, Straw, and Fuel, as may be required of us, so far as the same may be in our Power, at such Rates and Prices as shall be settled by the Lieutenantcy and Magistracy to be fair and reasonable; and we do hereby nominate _____ to be Conductors of the Waggon and Carts engaged to be furnished by us; and request that they may be appointed to such Duty accordingly."

" Witness the Signatures of the said Persons nominated to be Conductors opposite hereto."

Subscribers Names.	Number of Waggon with Tilt ^a and		Number of Carts with Tilts and			Number of Drivers.	REMARKS.
	Four Horses or more.	Three Horses.	Three Horses or more.	Two Horses.	One Horse.		
^a Those who cannot furnish Tilts, should, in the Columns of Waggon and Carts, make this Mark,— "No T."							